

## SENSOR

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the sensor about six inches from a suspect's face while the suspect is speaking. The suspect rarely notices that the sensor is operating.

"It helps me get my foot in the door when I can't smell it myself," Axtell said. "If I get a positive reading, I know alcohol is present."

Axtell, who has made more than 140 DUII arrests, said the flashlight is so sensitive that once, while Axtell was testing a driver, who had not been drinking, the sensor detected alcohol from a passenger who had been drinking.

Bulski said the sensor helps to get the drunken drivers who don't appear to have been drinking.

"You have people who can hold it together for the couple of minutes you are talking to them," he said. "If you can't smell it and they don't appear drunk, you don't know."

Although the flashlight operates like a breathalyzer, its results are not admissible in court as evidence. Bulski said the sensor just

gives the officer a positive or negative test for the presence of alcohol.

Dave Findanque, the American Civil Liberties Union of Oregon director, said his office has not received any complaints about the flashlight. He said because the sensor's readings are not being used as probable cause for DUII, the flashlight has not been challenged.

"If the stop or detention was based on the sensor, then the accuracy of the thing would be an issue," he said. "But to my understanding, they aren't using it that way."

Richard Fredricks, a local attorney who handles DUII cases, said he could not think of a legitimate challenge to the flashlight's test as long as its results are not used as evidence.

The Century Coalition and the Eugene Rotary Club recently purchased flashlights for 11 area high schools. EPD officers who work the schools are using the flashlights to determine if students have been drinking at school.

Officers who work the University area have also used the flashlights to determine if minors have been drinking.



Photo by Jeff Paslay

The Passive Alcohol Sensor, which detects alcohol, is being used by Eugene police officers who drive the DUII car and officers who work the University campus and local high school areas.

## ASSEMBLY

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approve the measure against their will.

Linguistics Professor Tomas Givón told the assembly that some faculty were afraid to vote against the proposal because they'd been pressured by department heads and deans to support it.

Givón moved that the assembly use a secret mail ballot to vote instead of raising their hands during the meeting. The motion was defeated 147-170.

Political science Associate Professor Sumi Cho said it was ridiculous for Givón to believe that a small number of faculty could strongarm others into voting

against the proposal.

"What's really at issue here is whether people will be politically accountable for their vote," Cho said.

Other opposition came from faculty who said the new requirement ignores important issues such as religion.

"Speaking as a non-Jew, to omit the anti-Semitism problem from the first course on race is a terrible mistake," religious studies Professor J.T. Sanders told the assembly. "No group has been more persecuted ... than Jews."

But Ethnic Studies Director Quintard Taylor, a member of the committee that drafted the new requirement, said classes about anti-Semitism could fall under the

second course, which addresses ethnicity.

"There is nothing in the proposal that excludes the discussion of anti-Semitism or anti-Arab discrimination, or a host of other issues," Taylor said.

Some faculty questioned whether the University could afford changing the requirement.

However, University President Myles Brand said the costs — estimated to be at least \$200,000 to \$240,000 for hiring new faculty — could be covered by re-allocating funds that are already designated for new faculty.

The University Senate approved the new requirement last month with a 33-5 vote, which sent the measure to the assembly.

## PRIVATIZATION

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months and we go into another cycle of cuts, we may have to seriously consider the high tuition model rather than closing parts or all of institutions," Bailey said.

The high tuition model, as some are calling it, would be accompanied with increased student aid, Oakley said. This aid, she said, would come from the state.

"There are a lot of students that can easily afford \$10,000 to go to school," Oakley said. "Instead of the state paying some for everyone's tuition as it is now, those wealthier students would pay more while the state paid for poorer students to go to school."

If this model is implemented, Bailey said he is afraid a "dumbbell effect" of students will occur, with wealthy and poor students able to be educated, but the middle class left out because they can't afford it, yet don't qualify for aid.

To adjust to the shortfall under the 1990 Measure 5 property tax limit, Gov. Barbara Roberts has recommended cutting higher education by 16 percent in the 1993-95 biennium.

The University receives about \$64 million in state funding each year.

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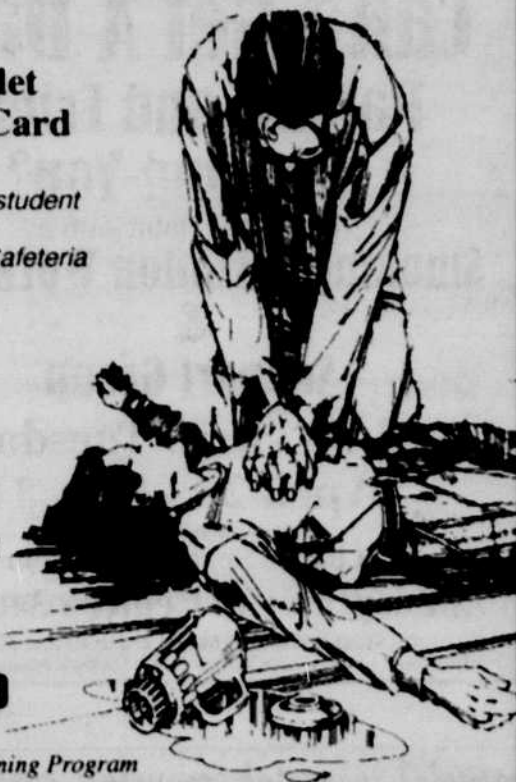
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